(b) whether the deals regarding purchase of Sukhoi 30 fighter aircrafts from Russia, Barak Missiles, T-90 Tanks, Rocket launchers, Kandla-Bhatinda pipeline and Tehelka scam are also included in these deals; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (c) As per its terms of reference, the Justice K. Venkataswami Commission of Inquiry, which was appointed by Government following the Tehelka tape revelation, is investigating certain transactions relating to Ministry of Defence including SU-30 aircraft, Barak Missiles, T-90S Tanks, rocket Launcher MK-III, besides the Kandla-Bhatinda pipeline transaction pertaining to Indian Oil Corporation.

Report of the Joshi Committee set up to study the problems of Army Officers

1681. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have since received a report of the Committee headed by Lt. General Joshi which was appointed to study the problems of the officers cadre particularly of the superseded Army Officers whose promotional avenues are closed;

. (b) if so, when and what are the salient features of the report; and

(c) what action Government have taken on the recommendations of the Committee and if not, by when, it is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) The internal Committee ordered by Army Headquarters has since submitted its report.

(b) The report deals with certain aspects pertaining to the management of the Officers Cadre.

(c) The report of the Committee is still under discussion at Army Headquarters.

Polluting ordnance factory in Medak, A.P.

1682. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state: